1. IDENTIFICATION OF PRODUCT AND SUPPLIER

**Product Name:** Fry's Etching Solution  
**Supplier:** Scenesafe Business Unit  
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2. COMPOSITION

- Ethanol (19%) F  
- Concentrated hydrochloric acid (16%) Xi  
- Copper (II) chloride-2-hydrate (6%) Xn, N  
- Distilled water

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

- **F:** R11 Highly Flammable  
- **Xn:** Harmful R21/R22 – Harmful in contact with skin and if swallowed  
- **Xi:** Irritant R36/37/38 Irritating to the eyes, respiratory system and skin  
- **N:** Dangerous for the environment R50 Very toxic to aquatic organisms R53 May cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

- **Skin contact** – In the case of skin contact, wash the splashed surface with large quantities of running water. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before re-use.  
- **Eye contact** – If the substance has entered the eyes, wash out with running water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention  
- **Ingestion** – If the chemical has been confined to the mouth, give large quantities of water as a mouthwash – ensure mouthwash is not swallowed. If the chemical has been swallowed, wash mouth out thoroughly with water and give repeated drinks of water, about 180mls, every 10 minutes to dilute it in the stomach. Obtain medical attention.  
- **Inhalation** – Remove casualty to fresh air. Loosen clothing. Keep warm and rest. Obtain medical attention if respiratory distress continues.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

- **Special exposure** – Material is not combustible. If involved in a fire it decomposes to emit toxic fumes of chlorine. Use breathing apparatus for dealing with fire.  
- **Extinguishing media** – Use extinguishing media appropriate to the surrounding fire conditions.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

- **Personal protection** – Wear eye protection, gloves and protective clothing.  
- **Spillages** – Shut off all sources of ignition. Instruct others to keep at a safe distance. Spread soda ash (anhydrous sodium carbonate) liberally over the spillage if available. Dispose of as special waste via licensed waste carrier.  
- **Clean-up procedures** – Wash the spillage site with large amounts of water.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

- **Handling precautions** – Wear eye protection, gloves and protective clothing.  
- **Storage precautions** – Store in a cool, well ventilated area, out of direct sunlight. Keep away from bases.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/ PERSONAL PROTECTION

- **Personal protection** – Wear eye protection, gloves and protective clothing.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

- Acidic, green liquid completely miscible with water.

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

- **Chemical stability** – Shelf life 1 year.  
- **Conditions to avoid** – Store in a cool, well ventilated area, out of direct sunlight. Keep away from bases.
11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION
Moderate toxicity
After skin exposure – Irritation and redness at site of exposure. Burns may occur.
After eye contact – Severe irritation, pain and redness. Corneal burns may occur.
After ingestion – Mild poisoning causes vomiting (blood may be present), nausea, burning in the throat and diarrhoea. Severe poisoning can result in convulsions and kidney/liver damage.
After inhalation – Irritation to respiratory tract. Symptoms caused by Copper II Chloride may not appear for two to three hours when there may be shortness of breath, coughing, muscle aching and a slight fever, which usually settles after 24 hours.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION
Contains a severe marine pollutant. Special shipping regulations apply.
Very toxic to aquatic organisms
May cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment
Acute toxicity:
96hr LC50 (fish): < 1mg/l
48hr EC50 (daphnia): < 1mg/l
72hr IC50 (algae): < 1mg/l
Substance is not readily degradable.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS
Waste disposal – Dispose of via a Specialist Disposal Company.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION
FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S. (Ethanol)
UN No. 1993
Class: 3
Subsidiary class:
Packing group : II
Marine Pollutant

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION
Classification and Symbol –
CORROSIVE (C)
HIGHLY FLAMMABLE (F)
HARMFUL (Xn)
IRRITANT (Xi)
Risk Phrases –
R11 Highly Flammable
R21/R22 – Harmful in contact with skin and if swallowed.
R36/R37/R38 – Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.

Safety Phrases -
S9 Keep in a well ventilated place
S16 Keep away from sources of ignition
S24 – Avoid contact with skin.
S26 – In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
S33 - Take precautionary measures against static discharge
S36/S37/S39 – Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection.
S45 – In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label if possible).

Workplace Exposure Limits for Hydrogen Chloride: - Short term exposure (15 minute reference period) 8mg/m3 (5ppm)

16. OTHER INFORMATION
Only to be used as intended by trained personnel.
Can generate harmful fumes when applied to metals
This safety data sheet in no way constitutes the users own assessment of workplace risk as required by health and safety legislation

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